

Discover Balranald & surrounds

Balranald, Euston, Kyalite, Penarie, Clare, Hatfield, Mungo NP, Yanga NP

Visitor Guide



where the wetlands meet the **outback**



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1800 444 043



BALRANALD DISCOVERY CENTRE



To begin your Balranald & surrounds discovery journey the **MUST SEE & DO** destination is the Balranald Discovery Centre. The Balranald Discovery Centre is a state-of-the-art tourist complex and is a rare gem to find in an outback town. The Centre has gained high accolades and has received numerous awards for its exceptional visitor facilities and services.

The Discovery Centre comprises of three key buildings; the Interpretive Pavilion, the Visitor Information Centre and the Discovery Cafe. The precinct also includes an interactive playground, a skate park, historical buildings and a 24 hour RV stop, along with tapped water and warm showers for travellers!



The Balranald Visitor Information Centre

Address: 83 Market Street Balranald

Phone: 1800 444 043

Email: infocentrestaff@balranald.nsw.gov.au

Opening Hours: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily

(Closed Christmas Day & Good Friday)

Calendar of Events



January	Australia Day Celebrations Balranald & Euston
February	Balranald Cup Day Race Meeting
March	Euston/Robinvale Southern 80 ski Classic Race Murrumbidgee Fishing Classic
April	Easter in Balranald Fair Good Friday Appeal Balranald & Kyalite
May	Hatfield Happenings
July	Balranald Pony Club Camp
August	Murray Cod Season Closes (31 August)
September	Robinvale Euston Agricultural Show
October	Balranald's 5 Rivers Outback Festival (2nd weekend of October) Cooking & Craft Show
November	Balranald Derby Day Races
December	Murray Cod Season Opens (1 December) New Year's Eve Community Party at Greenham Park



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About Balranald & Surrounds

Covering approximately 21,400 sq kilometers, Balranald Shire encompasses a diverse natural landscape which includes the world heritage listed Mungo National Park and the picturesque Yanga National Park.

Surrounded by the wonders of the Murrumbidgee, Murray, Lachlan, Wakool & Edward Rivers, the area offers all visitors the opportunity to relax and enjoy some of the most unique natural scenery in Australia. There is an abundance of great fishing, water sports and nature just waiting for you.

The area is surrounded by rich agricultural lands and the unique townships of Balranald and Euston and the hamlets of Kyalite, Oxley, Hatfield, Clare and Penarie (Homebush).

Balranald and Euston are two of the most friendly RV Friendly towns in Australia. The communities offer ample FREE parking and dump points facilities in both locations including warm showers at the Balranald Discovery Centre.

Getting to Balranald & surrounds

Balranald is ideally situated for those travelling between major cities on the Sturt Highway and just a few hours' drive from the regional city of Mildura.

In true outback spirit, private pilots are welcome to land on the sealed airstrip at Balranald. There are tie down points and hanger space subject to availability. It is a popular strip for "fly-ins".

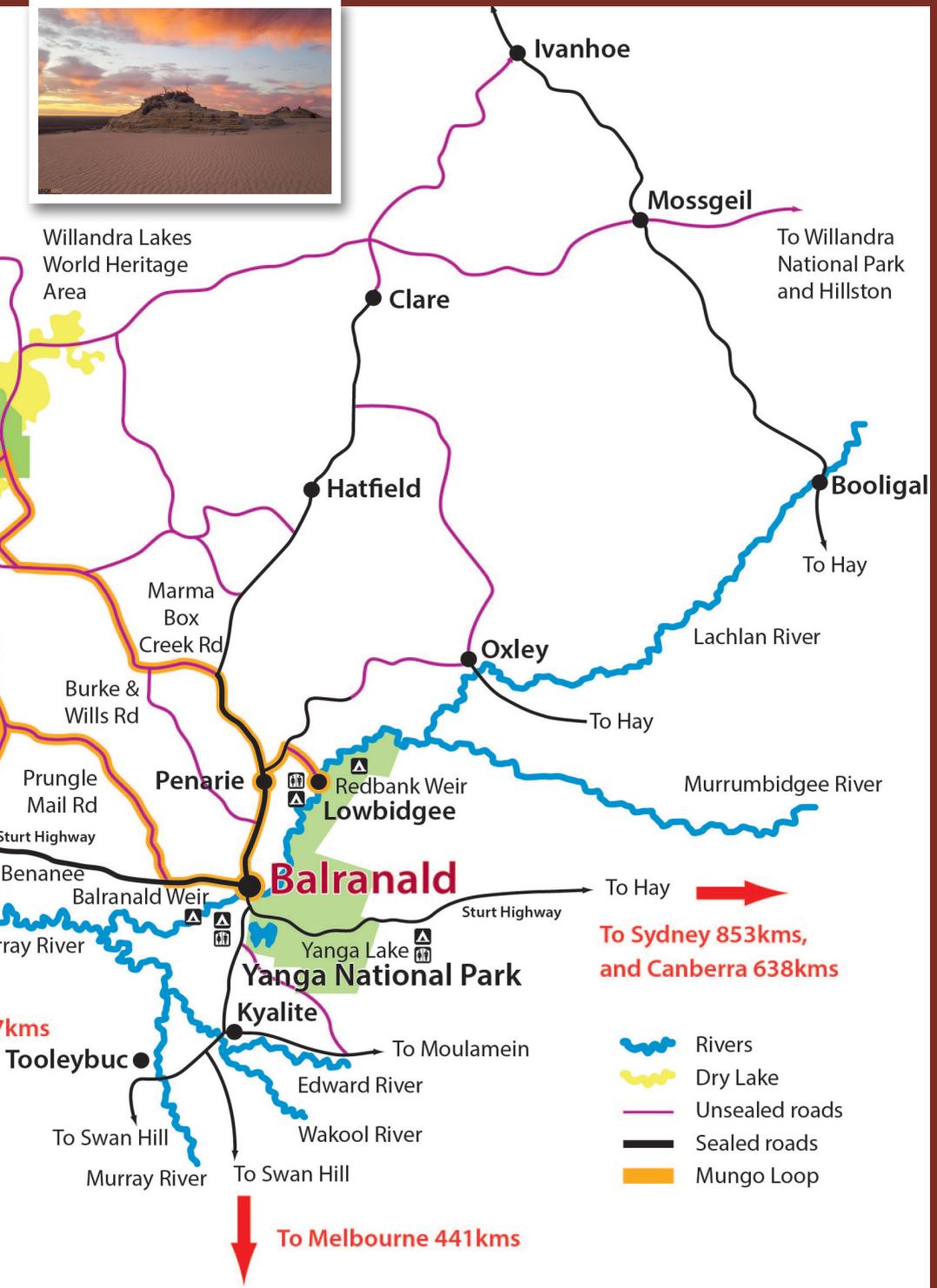
Distances by car from major centres

Adelaide to Balranald via Euston	550km
Canberra to Balranald	638km
Hay to Balranald	132km
Melbourne to Balranald via Bendigo	482km
Mildura to Balranald via Euston	162km
Swan Hill to Balranald via Nyah	99km
Sydney to Balranald	853km

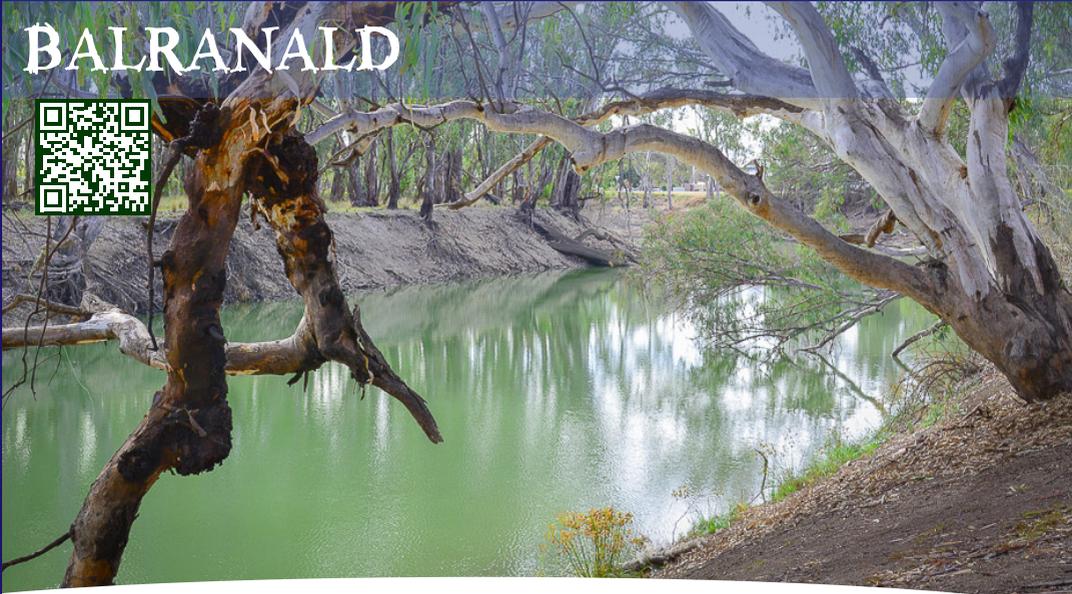
Distances by car in & around Balranald

Balranald to Clare	150km
Balranald to Euston	79km
Balranald to Hatfield	97km
Balranald to Penarie (Homebush)	30km
Balranald to Kyalite	37km
Balranald to Mungo National Park	147km
Balranald to Oxley	89km
Balranald to Yanga National Park	8km





BALRANALD



Balranald is full of surprises and the longer you stay, the more treasures you'll unearth.

Spectacular landscapes and waterscapes in the outback

Balranald is the Shire's main township and is a geographer's living classroom. It is surrounded by unique landscapes and riverscapes which encompasses five iconic rivers, the spectacular outback scape of world heritage listed Mungo National Park and the magical wetlands of Yanga National Park.

The area boasts spectacular bird life and fauna and heritage sites such as the Yanga Wool Shed and Yanga Homestead, which are both in close proximity to the town.

Gazetted as a town on the 4th April 1851, Balranald is considered the oldest settlement on the Lower Murrumbidgee. George James McDonald the Commissioner for Crown Lands named the town after the place he was from, Balranald on the Isle of Uist in the Outer Hebrides of Scotland.

Rich in Heritage & Culture

Culturally, the Balranald area is rich in both Aboriginal and European history, it has a strong wool heritage and a deep connection with the River Red Gum which surrounds the region. You can learn more of the history and heritage of Balranald by visiting the Interpretive Pavilion at the Discovery Centre and walking the Heritage Trail featuring historic buildings & sites of significance.



You can take a tour from Balranald to world heritage Mungo National Park which has attracted world attention arising from archaeological sites containing human remains of at least 40,000 years.

Aboriginal culture is also in abundance at Yanga National Park which is located in close proximity to Balranald. It celebrates indigenous heritage and sites, pastoral history and many natural wonders.

A wide range of services to meet every visitor's need & budget

With a thriving main street there is everything that a visitor would expect in a township of this size including gift shops, clothing stores, chemist, butcher, restaurants, a bakery, cafés, take-away shop, homeware & hardware stores, newsagency, post office, a bank, ATM machines and two supermarkets.



There are also various accommodation options including a caravan park, motels, cabins and farm stay. You will also find a range of services including health services, a well-being centre, hair & beauty salons and automotive services.

Of course, Balranald also offers wonderful parks with playground equipment, a skatepark and picturesque picnic spots for those travelling with children, or the young at heart. A swimming pool in the heart of town is the ideal spot to cool off in the warmer months.

If you are looking for a place surrounded by kilometres of river, landscapes teeming with life and where the sound of birds is the most popular music, Balranald is the place for you!

WHAT'S THE CONNECTION with BALRANALD & FROGS?

When you visit Balranald, you will see FUNKY FROG SCULPTURES dotted around town, the Welcoming Frog at the Discovery Centre and the frog merchandise at the Visitor Information Centre and in certain shops in town.

So what is the connection?.....It's because of the endangered SOUTHERN BELL FROG also known as the Growling Grass Frog which lives in semi-permanent wetlands in south eastern Australia and is known to live in the wetlands of the Balranald Shire.

It's a large handsome frog and is bright green in colour with splotches of gold, bronze and black along its back. Unfortunately it has disappeared from over 50% of its former range over the past 20 years. Disease, habitat loss, farm chemicals and exotic species may be likely causes.

Next time you visit BALRANALD stop by the Visitor Information Centre and the friendly staff will tell you all about the Southern Bell Frog and about the FUNKY FROG TRAIL to see all the frog sculptures around the town!



Attractions around Balranald

Heritage & Culture



The Malcolm Building Museum

Located at the Balranald Discovery Centre precinct, the Malcolm Building Museum is a perfect place to step back in time and view the collection of historic photographs and local artefacts from the historic "Malcolm and Beatty Stock and Station Agency".

Location: 83 Market Street, Balranald

Opening Times: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily

Phone: 1800 444 043 - Pick up the key from the Visitor Information Centre



The Old Gaol (Lock-Up)

Built around 1887, the Lock Up included a Police Station and House attached. The most infamous person held in the lock up was Ronald Ryan; the last man hanged in Australia in 1967. Ryan started his life of petty crime here in Balranald at the age of 16 years when he robbed the local bank.

Location: 83 Market Street, Balranald

Opening Times: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily

Phone: 1800 444 043 - Pick up the key from the Visitor Information Centre



The Balranald Gallery

Visit the iconic Balranald Gallery which hosts regular local and travelling exhibitions. The Gallery also has some wonderful works from local and regional artists on display and a number of the artworks are available for purchase.

Location: 51 Mayall Street, Balranald

Opening Times: Check with the Gallery or Information Centre

Phone: The Gallery 03 5020 0200 or 1800 444 043



The Wintong School

Built in 1886 by John 'Wintong' Murphy. Originally it was used as the homestead on Wintong Station. John Murphy let men stay in the Building until their Sale of Land went through. It later became the schoolhouse for the children who lived on Wintong Station.

Location: 83 Market Street, Balranald

Opening Times: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily

Phone: 1800 444 043 - See the Visitor Information Centre for more details



The Heritage Trail

From the Balranald Discovery Centre follow the town's Heritage Trail. This 1 1/2 hour walking tour takes in several of Balranald's most significant historical buildings and points of interest. A series of plaques leads you on a fascinating journey through the town's history.

Location: Start at the Discovery Centre 83 Market Street, Balranald & see the Visitor Information Centre staff for details of the trail

Opening Times: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily - The plaques are on display 24/7

Phone: 1800 444 043 - See the Visitor Information Centre for more details



The Military Commemorative Trail

The Military Commemorative Trail chronicles and honours the lives and diversity of contributions made by Balranald Shire residents during times of international conflict. (Plaques are on River St, Court St & Market Street)

Location: Start at the Discovery Centre 83 Market Street, Balranald & see the Visitor Information Centre staff for details of the trail

Opening Times: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily - The plaques are on display 24/7

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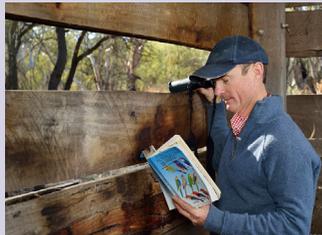
Friends of the Southern Cross (Plane Replica)

On Saturday 11th November 1933, Sir Charles Kingsford Smith landed in his famous Southern Cross plane in Balranald for a short visit. A replica of the Southern Cross plane which appeared in a documentary was acquired by the local community group Friends of the Southern Cross. The replica is stored in a large warehouse in Balranald for viewing along with other memorabilia, vintage cars and historical artifacts.

Location: 118 Market Street, Balranald - Gold Coin Entry

Opening Times: 10.00am - 2.00pm **Phone:** 03 5020 0252

Nature & Wildlife



The Ben Scott Memorial Bird Trail

The Ben Scott Memorial Bird Trail is the perfect place to begin your bird-watching experience. Collect a list of Balranald's bird species from the Visitor Information Centre then set off on the 4.5km drive to the bird trail.

Location: Start on River Street at the corner of Market Street and follow the signs to the Bird Trail. It is 4.5 kilometres north east of the township of Balranald. **This bird walk & hide is seasonal due to water availability**

Phone: 1800 444 043 - Contact the Visitor Information Centre for more details



The Swing Bridge & Nature Walk

Located from Court Street, cross the swing bridge over the Murrumbidgee River and follow the 2.4km track along the Murrumbidgee River for the nature walk. Keep an eye out for Yellow Rosellas, kookaburras and the occasional echidna, not forgetting kangaroos and emus.

Location: Court Street, Balranald

Phone: 1800 444 043 - Contact the Visitor Information Centre for more details



The Murrumbidgee River at Balranald

Take to the majestic river and see Balranald's natural beauty from a different perspective. From the caravan park on Court St, take your kayak and life jacket and enjoy an easy hour-long paddle along the Murrumbidgee River. Make tracks for 'The Bend' at the end of We Street, Balranald. This popular fishing spot is easily accessible on foot or, for a different perspective launch a boat from the boat ramp near the bridge.

Location: Start along Court Street in Balranald and at the "River Bend" at the end of We Street, Balranald. See the Visitor Information Centre for the best river spots around town! 83 Market Street, Balranald.

Phone: 1800 444 043 - Contact the Visitor Information Centre for more details

Family Fun



The Funky Frog Trail

When you visit Balranald, you will see the FUNKY FROG SCULPTURES dotted around town. It is in honour of the endangered Southern Bell Frog that live in the wetlands within the Balranald Shire. Walk this fun trail!

Location: Start at the Discovery Centre 83 Market Street, Balranald & see the Visitor Information Centre staff for details of the trail

Opening Times: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily - The plaques are on display 24/7

Phone: 1800 444 043 - See the Visitor Information Centre for more details



The Discovery Playground

The Discovery Playground boasts state-of-the-art equipment including a number of interactive elements. The playground is also protected from the sun with shade sails covering the playground area.....Ideal stop for children to play.

Location: 83 Market Street, Balranald

Opening Times: Access is available 24/7

Phone: 1800 444 043



The Discovery Skate Park

The Discovery Skate Park is the latest and exciting new addition to the Discovery Centre. It has been a community and Council collaboration in bringing it to fruition. Since its construction it has been a huge hit with both the local and visiting youth and families..

Location: 83 Market Street, Balranald

Opening Times: Access is available 24/7

Phone: 1800 444 043



Interactive Fun at the Interpretive Pavilion

Located at the Discovery Centre, the Interpretive Pavilion is a magical place where all your senses are treated to a multi-media & interactive historical interpretation of the Shire's history including the Shire's wood, wool & wheat background, the first settlers, the Chinese contribution and the history of prominent wool stations – Yanga Station, Lake Paika Station & Clare Station.



The pavilion also provides wonderful visual displays and information on the environmental aspects of the Shire, including the wetlands, the birdlife, the animal life, the Southern Bell frog & the river Redgum. It also provides a fascinating history of Balranald's connection with the 5 Rivers that meander around Balranald and the river life including early river exploration & the river trade.



The pavilion also highlights the two major National Parks within the Balranald Shire, Mungo National Park & Yanga National Park. The Interpretive Pavilion also encapsulates the connection Balranald has with the Aboriginal community with a series of audio stories told by renowned local aboriginal identities including the late Besley Murray and his son Ron Murray.

Location: 83 Market Street, Balranald

Opening Times: 10.00am - 4.00pm Daily

Phone: 1800 444 043

Things to Do

A perfect way to start your Balranald adventure is at the Balranald Discovery Centre. The Visitor Information Centre is located at the precinct as well as the Interpretive Pavilion, the Discovery Cafe, the playground, the skatepark, heritage buildings and the Men's Shed....all great attractions to visit!

While you are at the Discovery Centre pop into the Visitor Information Centre to pick up a flyer on the Heritage Trail and start your Heritage Trail walk from there!

Another wonderful Trail to walk at Balranald is the Military Commemorative Trail which chronicles and honours the lives and diversity of contributions made by Balranald Shire residents during times of international conflict. Pop into the Visitor Information Centre and the friendly staff will advise you on the best place to start this memorable trail.

While in town take a stroll to the Balranald Gallery on Mayall Street which is the heart of the arts and cultural activities in Balranald. There are regular exhibitions as well as a wonderful showcase of local artwork.

From Balranald it's a short drive to Yanga National Park's Woolshed and Homestead and both are a must see and do activity. At each location you will learn more of the history and heritage of Yanga's sheep station.

Throw in a line along the river that winds through the town of Balranald. You can access boat ramps from the Balranald Caravan Park on Court Street and also at The Bend at the end of We Street. The Bend is also a lovely spot to relax and have a picnic.

While in Balranald, walk over the Swing Bridge on Court Street which crosses the Murrumbidgee River and follow the 2.4km nature walk track along the river.

Take a leisurely drive 60km north of Balranald to Redbank Weir which is in the heart of the Lower Murrumbidgee wetlands. Take a picnic with you and enjoy the picnic facilities there.

Another weir and picnic spot to visit is the Balranald Low Level Weir which is located 6km West from the town off the Sturt Highway.

For a small town, Balranald has a lovely selection of shops to meet all your needs! From gifts, fashion clothing, homeware & hardware, newsagency, pharmacy, groceries, hair and beauty salons, and a wellbeing centre for some pampering. Take a walk down the main street, you're bound to find something special!

Talk to the team at the Visitor Information Centre for the best walks and trails for birdwatching, including the seasonal memorial bird trail.

Tours from Balranald



Tour operator Outback Geo Adventures specialises in tours to the spectacular world heritage listed Mungo National Park and the Willandra Lakes. Outback Geo Adventures also specialises in tours to the stunning floodplains and wetlands of Yanga National Park which boasts natural wonders & historical attractions and heritage sites of significance.

For more details or to **Book a Tour** contact the **Visitor Information Centre** on 1800 444 043 or contact **Outback Geo Adventures** on 0407 267 087



Tours available include:



Mungo Sunset Tour



Mungo DayTour



Mungo Full Moon Tour



Scenic Flight & GroundTour



Yanga Sunset Tour



Yanga Half Day Tour

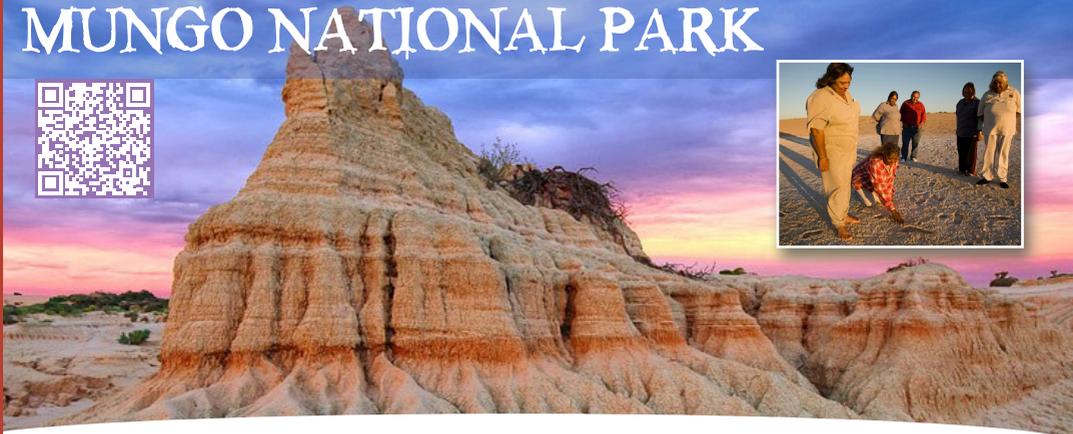


Yanga Full Day Tour



Yanga Sunrise Tour

MUNGO NATIONAL PARK



Dramatic & Spectacular Landscape & home to Mungo Man & Mungo Lady

World Heritage listed Mungo National Park is home of the famous Mungo Lady and Mungo Man the world's oldest human cremations. These fascinating 42,000 year old ritual burials, along with past human footprints, tell an incredible story about the long history of Australian Aboriginal people, and led to the establishment of Mungo National Park. The spectacular landscape is almost always described as "lunar" and is tinged with the classic ochre hues of inland Australia. The most dramatic formation is the Great Walls of China, which run along what was the eastern shoreline of the largest lake.

Attractions at Mungo National Park



The Walls of China

After the lake dried up, winds swept storms of sand up from the lake floor, dumping it on the shoreline and creating the famous Mungo lunette. This is the site of the spectacular Great Walls of China carved from layers of the lunette. You need a licenced guide to walk the Walls of China.

Location: The Walls of China starts at Mungo Visitor Centre in the south western precinct of Mungo National Park
Opening Times: Open 24/7 weather permitting **Phone:** 03 5021 8900



The Mungo Woolshed

Adjacent to Mungo Visitor Centre, the heritage Mungo woolshed, built in 1869, harks back to the pastoral history of this dramatic yet fragile landscape. Step inside the shady cool and marvel at the ingenious drop-log construction, built from local cypress pine logs by Chinese labourers.

Location: The Mungo Woolshed is adjacent to the Visitor Centre in the south western precinct of Mungo National Park
Opening Times: Open 24/7 weather permitting **Phone:** 03 5021 8900

Tracks, Walks, Loops & Camping Sites

Mungo National Park has a number of wonderful nature & heritage walks & touring loops, as well as walks that take you along the shoreline of Lake Mungo. These include: The Grasslands Nature Walk, the Mallee Stop Walking Track, The Zanci Pastoral Loop and the Foreshore Walk. There are **2 campsites:** The Main Campground & the Belah Campground. Contact the Buronga Park Office on **03 5021 8900** for further details.



Red Top Lookout & Boardwalk

Red Top lookout and boardwalk is an unbeatable vantage point, offering bird's eye views of the park's remarkable deep ravines, rippling patterns and rich textures. This short walk along a boardwalk takes in the views to the north along the Mungo lunette and to the west across the bed of Lake Mungo.

Location: From the Visitor Centre in the south western precinct of the park you can access the Redtop Lookout & Boardwalk via the self-guided drive. **Opening Times:** Open 24/7 weather permitting **Phone:** 03 5021 8900



Zanci Homestead

The Zanci Homestead site comprises of a range of buildings some of which are still proudly in their original condition and some of which are now only ruins. Built from iron and flattened kerosene tins, the original homestead had two rooms and a small kitchen, where cooking was carried out over an open fire and with camp ovens.

Location: From the Visitor Centre in the south western precinct of the park you can access the Zanci Homestead via the self-guided drive. **Opening Times:** Open 24/7 weather permitting **Phone:** 03 5021 8900



Mungo Self-Guided Drive Tour

The Mungo self-guided drive tour is a brilliant introduction to the awe-inspiring desert landscape and a chance to experience the historic significance of Mungo National Park in comfort. Crossing the ancient lake-bed to the Walls of China, the route takes in the iconic dunes and mallee country of outback NSW.

Location: The Mungo self-guided drive tour starts at Mungo Visitor Centre in the south western precinct of the park. **Opening Times:** Open 24/7 weather permitting **Phone:** 03 5021 8900



Mungo Lookout

At Mungo lookout you can gaze across the ice age lake bed that has uncovered bones of the original mega fauna. Gaze across at the iconic 'Walls of China' formation, sculpted over thousands of years, by wind and rain. It's an awesome vision at any time of day, especially dusk.

Location: From the carpark off the main park access road, a quick path will take you to the Mungo Lookout and an expansive view over Lake Mungo. **Opening Times:** Open 24/7 weather permitting **Phone:** 03 5021 8900

Things to Do

Journey through the spectacular outback landscapes of the Walls of China with licenced tour guide Outback Geo Adventures (from Balranald) or with a ranger at the Park to guide you through the historical significance.

Drive the Mungo self-guided drive tour through Mungo National Park which offers scenic desert views of the Walls of China.

Lose yourself in Mungo's pastoral heritage. The Zanci Homestead site is a fascinating part of the Willandra Lakes region's heritage, and can be accessed by mountain bike or via the self-guided drive tour.

Visit the Mungo Woolshed, built in 1869 which is an ingenious drop-log cypress pine construction from the historic Gol Gol pastoral station - built as the main shearing base.

Don't miss iconic views from the wheelchair-accessible Walls of China viewing platform. These views are some of the best at Mungo National Park.

Cycle or car tour the historic Zanci Pastoral loop through Willandra Lakes World Heritage area in Mungo National Park, which offers superb wildlife and birdwatching.

Take in the magnificent views from the Mungo lookout which offers scenic desert views across to the famous and historic Walls of China formation.

Enjoy lunch and some birdwatching at the Rosewood picnic spot. It's well-positioned near walking tracks, and is a great place to contemplate Mungo's scenery and Aboriginal history.

Visit the Mungo Visitor Centre which has excellent displays and tourist information. From the Centre, you can join a Willandra Lakes guided tour.

YANGA NATIONAL PARK



One of the newest National Parks with a long & significant history

Yanga National Park may be one of the state's newest parks, but the land itself boasts a long and significant history. From Aboriginal families to early explorers, shearers to rabbit trappers, fishermen to campers – people have been visiting the area for a long time.

Also known as Murrumbidgee Valley National Park, Yanga contains fascinating chapters of Australian history. Camp by the banks of the Murrumbidgee like Burke and Wills once did; see over 150 species of birds in the park's trees, skies and ecologically-important wetlands; acquaint yourself with bygone days at the old homestead, woolshed and countless Aboriginal sites, and enjoy a spot of fishing by the river.

Whether it's the unique 1870's homestead still in almost original condition, its rich pastoral history, or its huge Murrumbidgee River frontage and diverse agricultural mix, Yanga Station was a property to which people become easily attached. Many employees lived and worked on Yanga for all their working lives and the connection is still strong in the community today.

Attractions at Yanga National Park



The Yanga Homestead

Explore the wonderful Yanga Homestead built around 1870 and return to a time when Yanga was one of the Riverina's most productive pastoral stations.

Location: From Balranald, travel east along Sturt Highway for 7km. Turn right into Yanga picnic area just over Yanga Creek. Turn left at the Yanga National Park sign and drive 2km along unsealed road to Yanga Homestead
Opening Times: To see inside Yanga Homestead you'll need to pick up an audio guide and key from Yanga National Park Office - 8.30am-4.30pm daily **Phone:** 03 5020 1764



The Yanga Woolshed

Located along the Murrumbidgee River Yanga Woolshed was built in the late 1800s. Once the largest, most modern woolshed in the district, it housed 3,000 sheep and provided work for up to 40 shearers at a time.

Location: From Balranald, travel east along Sturt Highway for 2km. Turn right onto Windomal Road. Continue for approximately 3km before turning right at the sign to Yanga Woolshed. **Opening Times:** Self-Guided Tour of the Woolshed is accessible sunrise to sunset subject to weather. **Phone:** 03 5020 1764



The Yanga Lake Viewing Deck

From this elevated scenic lookout, you'll be enthralled by sweeping 270 degree views of the immense 1,200ha wetlands. A great spot for a picnic & birdwatching
Location: From Balranald, travel east along Sturt Highway for 7km. Turn right into Yanga picnic area just over Yanga Creek. Turn left at the Yanga National Park sign and drive 2km along unsealed road to Yanga Homestead. The deck is at the rear of the homestead. **Opening Times:** Access is from sunrise to sunset daily, subject to weather. **Phone:** 03 50201764



The Yanga Lake Walking Track & Bird Hide

For a beautiful lakeside walk that combines impressive scenic views and superb birdwatching, head for Yanga Lake walking track. **Location:** From Balranald, travel east along Sturt Highway for 7km. Turn right into Yanga picnic area just over Yanga Creek. Turn left at the Yanga National Park sign and drive 2km along unsealed road to Yanga Homestead. The track begins near the lake's viewing deck at the rear of the homestead. **Opening Times:** Yanga Homestead precinct open from 8:30am - 4:30pm daily. **Phone:** 03 50201764



Regatta Beach & Picnic Area

Enjoy swimming, boating, birdwatching and paddling in the tranquil lakeside waters of picturesque Regatta Beach picnic area. With large shady areas and sandy beaches, the calm lakeside spot is ideal for water sports activities.
Location: From Balranald, take Sturt Highway east for 6km. Turn right onto Old Sturt Highway before Yanga Creek. Turn right into Yanga National Park and signs to Regatta Beach. **Opening Times:** Access is from sunrise to sunset daily, subject to weather. **Phone:** 03 50201764



Yanga Redbank 4WD Tagalong Tour

Join this guided 4WD tagalong tour, and explore the remote areas of Yanga National Park, near Balranald. You'll journey to areas of Yanga that aren't normally accessible to the public.
Location: From Balranald, travel east along Sturt Highway for 7km. Turn right into Yanga picnic area just over Yanga Creek. Turn left at the Yanga National Park sign and drive 2km along unsealed road to Yanga Homestead. **When:** Available on specific dates & bookings are required. **Phone Yanga Office:** 03 50201764

Things to Do

Visit the historical Yanga Homestead and return to a time when Yanga was one of the Riverina's most productive pastoral stations.

Take a self-guided tour of Yanga Woolshed. When constructed the Woolshed was once the Riverina's largest, and offers an insight into Australia's pastoral history.

Take in the elevated and panoramic view of Yanga Lake and the immense 1,200ha of wetlands. The viewing deck also offers spectacular birdwatching views.

Connect with those who lived and worked at Yanga in the state-of-the-art exhibition housed in the quaint Cook's Cottage, a short stroll from the homestead.

Explore the wonder of nature at the Park by walking the Yanga Lake walking track. There's birdlife all year round including pelicans, cormorants and white-bellied sea eagles. For a more immersive birdwatching experience stop by the Red Gum bird hide along the track.

Boat or canoe at Regatta Beach or take a picnic for a relaxing time along the water.

Bring or hire a kayak at Yanga office and explore the park from the water for a completely different view of nature.

Have a picnic at the Yanga Woolshed picnic area.

Discover fascinating passages of Yanga's history by joining a ranger guided tour of the historic 1870's drop log Homestead or during a "Discovery" activity, run over the Autumn and Spring school holidays.

EUSTON



With a river port history, Euston provides a slice of paradise

Situated between Mildura and Swan Hill, Euston and Robinvale are nestled on opposite banks of the most user-friendly stretches of the Murray River.

The township of Euston grew on the site of the Boomiarcool Station, established by seventeen-year-old Edmund Morey in 1846 at what was then the western limit of European settlement. This station grew to one million acres by 1946, by which time it was known as Euston, after a mansion in Suffolk, England. From the 1850's the land was devoted to wool production and the town developed as a river port with a wharf, ferry, courthouse, police station, hotel, a boiling-down works, wool-scouring plant & eucalyptus factory.

Euston was proclaimed a town in 1885 but virtually ceased to exist when the river trade declined. The building of a railway and road traffic bridge across the Murray River – joining Robinvale in Victoria and Euston in New South Wales – saved Euston from certain extinction. Today one of the main industries in Euston is tourism and this small Murray River town caters very well for visitors looking for a slice of riverside paradise.

The Murray river is the hub of recreation with water skiing, kayaking and house-boating activities. Of course the fishing is also great and there is easy access to the river by a sealed boat ramp. Euston also boasts a 4 STAR resort in the Euston Club. The club caters for all your needs from tempting meals to tennis and bowls. If camping by the river is more your style, then Euston has the spot for you. As an RV friendly town you are encouraged to pull up and enjoy the riverside views.

Attractions at Euston



The Euston Courthouse

The Euston Court House was built in 1883 and now serves as the home of the Euston/Robinvale Historical Society. The Society was established in 1981 and aims to preserve the written and photographic history of Euston and Robinvale. The Society meets on the third Tuesday of every month and visitors are most welcome.

Location: 41 Murray Terrace, Euston NSW

Opening Times: Contact the Euston/Robinvale Visitor Information Centre

Phone: 03 5026 1388 (Robinvale Euston Tourist Information Centre)



Lake Benanee

With a white sandy foreshore, earth boat ramp and public toilets, Lake Benanee is one of Australia's most popular free camping spots. The Lake is part of the Euston Lakes wetland and floodplain system.

Location: 60 Kilometres West of Balranald on the Sturt Highway towards Euston, NSW

Phone: 03 5026 1388 (Robinvale Euston Information Centre)



Euston Walking & Bike Trail

This leisurely and peaceful 2.5km walk links Robinvale and Euston on each side of the Murray River and provides an alternative view of Euston Weir and Lock 15.

Location: Access to bikes, prams and wheelchairs is available by parking under the bridge on the Euston side of the Murray River. Alternately start from Robinvale by crossing over the bridge and take in the beauty of the Murray from up high before walking the trail.

Phone: 03 5026 1388 (Robinvale Euston Information Centre)



Euston Regional Park

Nestled along the northern bank of the Murray River, the Euston Regional Park is the ideal spot to set up camp under a majestic river red gum. Whether you are an angler, an avid birdwatcher or simply plan to relax by the river with a good book, Euston Regional Park has much to offer. The towering trees of the river red gum forests provide welcome shade to visitors and a myriad of plant and animal life, help stabilise river banks, and provide the perfect backdrop to sit by the river.

Location: Northern bank of the Murray River, Euston

Phone: 03 5026 1388 (Robinvale Euston Information Centre)



Euston Weir & Lock 15

The Euston Weir & Lock 15 is a fascinating insight into an aspect of the Murray River. BBQ facilities, shelter, lawned area and an amenities block ensure that you can take your time to admire the view from the height of the hill. Wander down the hill to the river itself and find the post that marks the famous 1956 flood level. It is astounding to imagine that such a volume of water flowed at that spot 50 years ago.

Location: Weir Road off Pethard Road, Robinvale/Euston

Phone: 03 5026 1388

Things to Do

The Euston/Robinvale area boasts one of the widest stretches of the Murray River for many kilometres. Enjoy a variety of river activities such as fishing, water skiing and swimming or enjoy camping, bike riding, birdwatching and walking along the banks of the river.

Enjoy white sandy beaches and the cool waters of Lake Benanee. Set up camp and enjoy the natural beauty of an inland Lake.

Ride or walk the 2.5km Walking and Bike Trail that connects the twin towns of Euston in NSW and Robinvale in Victoria.

Experience the natural beauty of Euston Regional Park.

Visit the popular Euston Club and enjoy a delicious meal.

Take a drive or walk to the Euston Lock & Weir 15 for a fascinating insight into the Murray River. Take advantage of the BBQ facilities and have a picnic on the lawned area.

Learn about Euston's history on the third Tuesday of each month when the Robinvale-Euston Historical Society meet at the Euston Courthouse.

Try your hand at lawn bowls or tennis at the Euston Club.

If you are after nine holes duck over the Murray for a hit of golf in Robinvale.

Euston Robinvale Tourist Information Centre

Phone: 03 5026 1388

Address: Bromley Road, Robinvale

Email: info@rdhs.com.au



KYALITE



The ideal watering hole for fishermen

The village of Wakool Crossing (the site of present-day Kyalite) was founded by Henry Talbot, who in about 1848 established a punt service across the Wakool River. When he became established, Talbot brought his family out from Ireland, including his parents and siblings. His brother John came to Wakool Crossing with his family and assisted Henry Talbot to construct an inn and a general store on land Henry had purchased near his punt. In September 1860 Burke and Wills dined at the hotel.

Kyalite is located on the junction of the Wakool & Edward Rivers and the Kyalite Pub is the centre of activity in a village that for years has been an important and popular watering hole for visiting fishermen who camp on the banks of the Wakool or Edward Rivers.



The Kyalite Pub/Caravan Park/General Store

Ken and Vicki became the proud owners in 1989 and ever since, the Pub has been an on going restoration program. Relax with an ice cold drink while you 'read' the pub walls. You will find a full photo history of the pub, complimented with hunting weapons and tools of trade used by our original Bushmen. The pub is also renowned for its delicious meals! Within the Hotel bounds is a quiet friendly caravan park that allows you to enjoy your holiday to the fullest. The park is only a few minutes walk to the boat ramp on the Wakool River. The pub also has a fully stocked general store.

Location: Kyalite Road, Kyalite NSW **Phone:** 03 5038 2221

Things to Do

Explore the nearby Kyalite Regional Park to the east, with its abundant wildlife and wonderful camping spots.

Lure in a majestic Murray Cod or catch some yabbies for the BBQ.

Swim, boat, canoe, kayak on 3 rivers in one day without leaving Kyalite!

Join in the fun on the long weekend in March every year, regardless of conditions, the Kyalite Pub releases assorted native fingerlings into the Edward and Wakool Rivers.

Enjoy Australia's Biggest Burger at the Kyalite Pub or Take the Publicans' Challenge of the a supa-pan-sized sizzling rump steak!

Join the local fishing club and be part of their monthly fishing competitions.



The Villages

These villages are the social hub for many of the outlying properties.



Penarie (Homebush Hotel)

One of the true 'back country pubs' which has stood the test of time, and still remains the 'hub' of the vast Western Lands Division of NSW between Balranald and Ivanhoe. The famous bar, with its huge central open fireplace, character filled "shearing board" mural, and many local artefacts displayed around the walls has been home to many a trapper, teamster, drover, shearer, truckie, mailman, traveller and station family and staff over the past 135 years. Good pub meals and accommodation are also available.

Location: Ivanhoe Balranald Road, Penarie NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 6803



Clare

Located between Balranald and Ivanhoe, Clare is a small community centered around the Clare Public School which is at the heart of the community.

The school was established in 1985 and services the nearby farming communities.

Location: Ivanhoe Balranald Road, Clare NSW



Hatfield

You can still experience the great outback salt plains, red sandy ridges with breathtaking sunsets, and star filled skies. The Hatfield Recreation Hall is often the place for a community get together and fundraiser. Each year around May, the Balranald Isolated Children's Parents Association stage an event called the "Hatfield Happening" in the Hatfield Recreation Hall, it is a High Tea event for the ladies (men are welcomed). Funds raised go towards a particular charity or cause. You can see the old pub which is now abandoned on the Ivanhoe Road.

Location: Ivanhoe Balranald Road, Hatfield NSW



Oxley

The Oxley Road from Penarie provides an alternative scenic route to Hay. The village of Oxley is located near the junction of the Lachlan and Murrumbidgee rivers and on the edge of the Great Cumbungi Swamp. The township was developed in the mid-1860s and was named after the noted Australian explorer, John Oxley. At Oxley you will find a quaint little church and graveyard. The church has services every 2 months, and is often the scene of a real "bush christening".

Location: Oxley Road, Oxley NSW

Things to Do

Chill out at one of Australia's iconic outback pub's at the Homebush Hotel. Have a delicious meal and stay the night for a unique experience.

While there is no boat ramp access to the Lachlan River at Oxley, it is an ideal spot to test your land based fishing skills. Species include Murray Cod, In dry times the river will stop flowing at Oxley, so check on conditions before you head out.

While in Oxley visit the quaint little church and nearby graveyard.

Visit the abandoned old Hatfield Pub on the Balranald Ivanhoe Road in Hatfield before turning right to the Hatfield Recreation hall.

If you're visiting the Balranald area in May, be sure to contact the Balranald Visitor Information Centre to find out when the "Hatfield Happening" is on!



Balranald Town Map

Lake Benanee 60km
 Euston 80km
 Mildura 156km
 Adelaide 552km
 Balranald low-level weir 6km

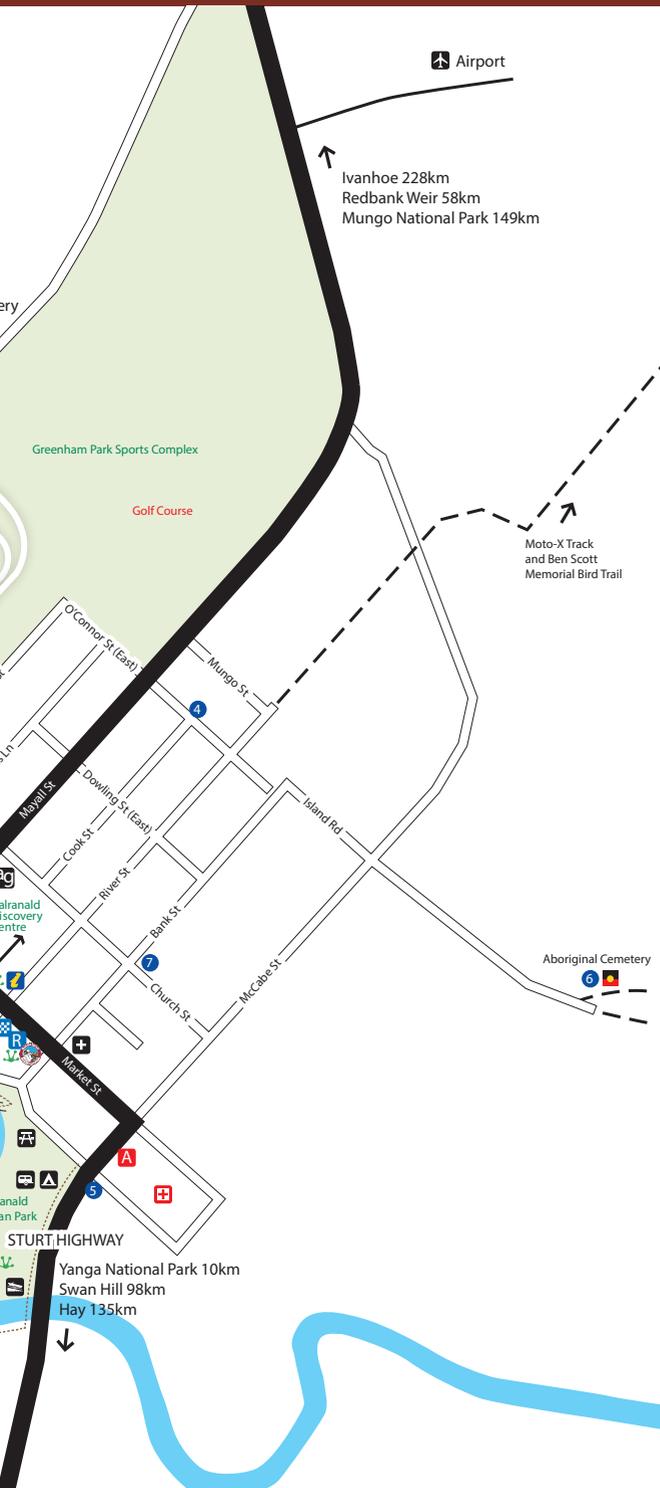
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Legend	Heritage Walk Plaques	Places of Interest
Information	Balranald	1 Library / CWA Park
Frog Sculptures	1 Wharves	2 Fire Station
Picnic tables	2 Court Street	3 Senior Citizens
Barbeque	3 AJS Bank	4 O'Connor Street Park
Boat ramp	4 Sturts Crossing	5 Anzac Park
Toilets	5 Paddle Steamers	6 Aboriginal Cemetery
Police	6 General Store	7 Prickle Downs
Hospital	7 Central School	8 Pony Club
Ambulance	8 Catholic School	9 landing Place of "Sir Charles Kingsford Smith"
Phone	9 Masonic Hall/Gallery	10 Discovery Centre
Petrol Station	10 Lays Drapery Store	11 Bidgee Nature Trail
Art Gallery	Euston	12 Swing Bridge
Camping	12 PS Canally	13 Skate park
Caravan Park		14 Museum
Church		15 The Wintong School
Tennis		16 Military Trail
Caravan Waste		
RMS		
NRMA		
Walking Track		
Playground		
Parking		
Laundromat		
RV		
Shower		
Cafe		
Drinking Water		
The Mens Shed		
Ex - Services Club		





While Balranald offers all the conveniences of a regional centre you may want to explore the less travelled routes during your visit. You should be aware that some of the roads will be unsealed and you will need to take some precautions to ensure safety.

Always tell someone reliable where you are going and when you will be back. Mobile phone coverage is limited in some areas.

Always carry drinking water and food in the vehicle.

Try to avoid travelling at sun up and sun down as this is when the wildlife like to venture out to feed.

Always drive according to road and weather conditions. Check the "visit balranald" website for the latest road conditions. You can also contact the **Visitor Information Centre** on 1800 444 043.

Watch for kangaroos and emus. Kangaroos generally travel in pairs. If you see one, look out for another.

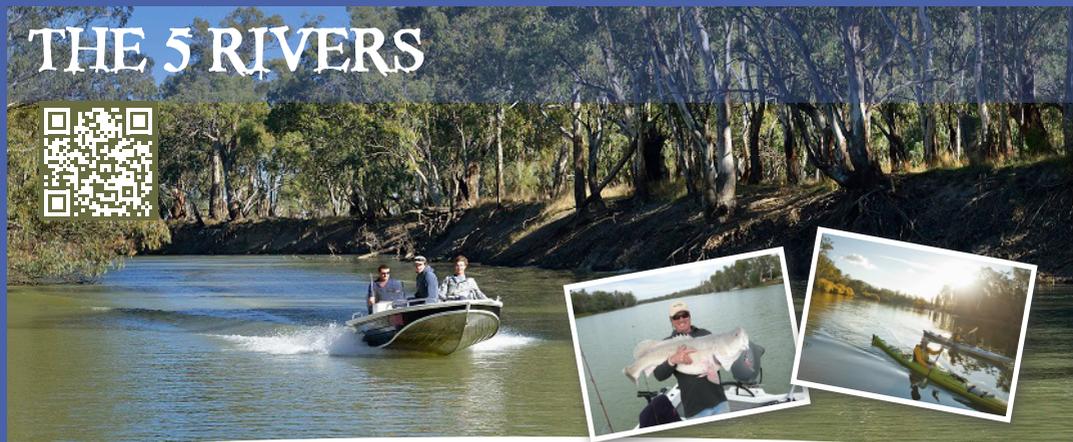


When road conditions are bad, some roads will be closed. This is for your safety. Please do not travel on closed roads.

In the event of an emergency stay with your vehicle. Vehicles are easier to spot than people.

Consider carrying a personal EPIRB (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon)

THE 5 RIVERS



The **Murrumbidgee, Murray, Wakool, Edward and Lachlan Rivers** make up the Five Rivers that meander and converge within the Balranald Shire and are all on Balranald's doorstep. This is a "bucket list" area for keen anglers & water sport lovers.

The 5 Rivers Fishing Trail

The Murrumbidgee River at Balranald

Balranald has easy access to the Murrumbidgee River for the boating fraternity with two sealed boat ramps and trailer parking. Land based anglers can also enjoy great fishing from the banks.

Anglers who achieve success in this part of the river can thank the dedicated efforts of the local angling club, which has put more than 100,000 native fish into the river.

Every fallen tree and log in the river around Balranald has fish-holding potential. In this part of the river there are some big Murray Cod and Yellow Belly waiting to ambush your lures or suck in a big bardi grub.

Beyond Balranald, the Murrumbidgee snakes 170kms through Yanga National Park and provides an abundance of natural fishing spots.

In Balranald you can access boating ramps from the Balranald Caravan Park and at The Bend located at the end of We Street.

The Murray River at Euston

At Euston, 80km west of Balranald, the mighty Murray River flows. Weir & Lock 15, just downstream from Euston, creates a very wide river upstream that provides an excellent water playground. The river can be accessed by a number of boat ramps in the area.

The water is predominantly deep with rock bars and old snags providing cover for a good number of large Murray Cod. Nearby, Lake Benanee which fills from the Murray River, is a popular fishing and camping spot.

The Wakool & Edward Rivers at Kyalite

Kyalite, 36kms south of Balranald enjoys a reputation for the best Murray Cod waters in Australia. There is easy launching into the Wakool River from the sealed boat ramp and a fifteen minute journey upstream will place you at the mouth of the Edward River.

The Lachlan River at Oxley

Oxley is situated on the Lachlan River. While there is no boat ramp access to the river, it is an ideal spot to test your land based fishing skills. In dry times the river will stop flowing at Oxley, so check on conditions before you head out. Whether you chase Murray Cod, Yellow belly, Perch or Redfin, fishing the Five Rivers Fishing Trail will have you telling plenty of fishing tales.

Attractions & Fishing Event



The Murrumbidgee Fishing Classic

The **Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic** is on each year in March and is a fully catered Anglers and Lions Club combined two day fishing competition. The Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic is a catch and release fishing competition with a maximum of 200 anglers and 2 per boat. Fishing is on bank or boat, up to five kilometres either way from the boat ramp at the Balranald Caravan Park. Contact the Balranald Caravan Park on 03 5020 1321 for the date and details.

Location: Balranald Caravan Park, Court Street, Balranald
Phone: 03 5020 1321



The Redbank Weir & Balranald Low Level Weir

The **Redbank Weir** on the Murrumbidgee River. The weir is on the river upstream of Balranald and is in the heart of the Lower Murrumbidgee wetlands. The area around the weir has a grassed picnic area which provides a break for the traveller.

Location: 60km north of Balranald off the Oxley Road.

The **Balranald Low Level Weir**, on the Murrumbidgee, is designed to create a pool in the river to maintain a regular supply of irrigation and town water. It also incorporates the latest version of fish ladder for successful carp eradication.

Location: 6km west of Balranald off from the Sturt Highway



The Euston Weir & Lock 15

The **Euston Weir & Lock 15** is a fascinating insight into an aspect of the Murray River. BBQ facilities, shelter, lawned area and an amenities block ensure that you can take your time to admire the view from the height of the hill. Construction of the Weir commenced in 1932 and was completed in 1936. Nowadays its main importance is for irrigation and recreation. 32,000 mega litres of water flows through this system daily. Wander down the hill to the river itself and find the post that marks the famous 1956 flood level.

Location: Weir Rd off Pethard Road, Robinvale/Euston. You can take the RiverWalk from Euston to the Weir.

Things to Do

Find a great camping spot on any of the 5 Rivers (contact the Balranald Visitor Information Centre for the best spots) and fish, boat, canoe, kayak or just chill!

Grab some bait, a fishing licence and a Five Rivers Fishing map and take on the Five Rivers Challenge!

There are plenty of spots to choose from to start your fishing challenge on the Murrumbidgee River including Redbank Weir. The Weir is just under 60km north of Balranald, you'll find barbecues, picnic tables and public toilets on site.

If the Lachlan River is running, head to the tiny township of Oxley to tempt the Murray Cod.

Head to 'The Bend' at the end of We Street in Balranald. This popular fishing spot is easily accessible on foot.

For a different perspective launch a boat from the ramp near the bridge which can be accessed from the Balranald Caravan Park.

Head to Kyalite, 37km south of Balranald and stop off at the Kyalite Hotel for some local fishing insight (and supplies) before heading to your chosen fishing spot on the Edward or Wakool Rivers. Enjoy the scenery and test your fishing skills before heading back to the Kyalite Pub for a hearty lunch or dinner.

Next on your Fishing Challenge head towards Euston 80km west of Balranald on the Sturt Highway. There you will find the mighty Murray River. On the way, stop off at Lake Benanee. When full, Lake Benanee covers an area of about 750 hectares. Enjoy a picnic on the beach, and await that first nibble.

Finish the Five Rivers Challenge on the banks of the Murray River at Euston then call into the pub or club and share your fishing tales with a few of the locals.

NSW Fishing Licences

A NSW Fishing Licence is essential and must be kept on you when fishing in NSW waters. Fishing Licences are available from the **Balranald Visitor Information Centre** & other outlets throughout the Shire.

Top Stays

From motels to caravan parks, cabins, lodges and farmstay, Balranald & surrounds has a wide range of accommodation options to suit every budget & need to ensure that you enjoy your outback getaway.

Motels



Balranald Motor Inn



The Balranald Motor Inn is a great place to stay with several room options to suit any need. The Billabong Restaurant is conveniently located at the front of the Motel for guests and locals alike. The motel offers room service from the restaurant menu and fully cooked or continental breakfasts to your room.

Location: 154 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1104

Email: balranaldmotorinn154@gmail.com

Website: www.balranaldmotorinn.com



Balranald Club Motel



The Balranald Club Motel is a modern 4 star motel situated in the centre of Balranald. The motel aims to provide high standard accommodation and service at a reasonable price. Each room is smoke free, scrupulously clean and equipped with a luxurious pillow top, queen size bed and modern bathroom with amenities.

Location: 112 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 0444

Email: motel@balranald.net

Website: www.balranald.net



Motel Capri Balranald



This comfortable hotel in Balranald offers free wireless internet, as well as room service and a BBQ/picnic area. It also provides on-site parking. Capri Motel Balranald offers spacious rooms equipped with a refrigerator, tea and coffee making facilities and a toaster, plus all the essentials to ensure an enjoyable stay.

Location: 207 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1201

Email: info@thecaprimotel.com.au

Website: www.accommodationbalranald.com



Sturt Motel Balranald



The Sturt Motel consists of 14 clean, comfortable, non-smoking, ground floor units (including family units) located in a quiet garden area. Other motel features include a delicious breakfast menu, ample parking, swimming pool, barbecue and entertainment area. The motel is centrally located just off the main highway in a quiet location, and only metres to restaurants, shops & the Murrumbidgee River.

Location: 32 River Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1309

Email: sturtmotelbalranald@bigpond.com



Shamrock Motel/Hotel Balranald



The Shamrock Motel entrance is conveniently located on the Sturt Highway. The motel is just a few steps to the central business district and just a short walk to the Murrumbidgee River. The Shamrock Motel has 23 rooms including two interconnecting Family Rooms. The Shamrock Hotel, which is right next door, serves lunch and dinner counter meals.

Location: 96 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1607

Email: shamrockbalranald@gmail.com



Colony Inn Motel Balranald



The Balranald Colony Inn Motel is a family owned and operated accommodation option to suit all budgets. Guests can choose from a selection of single, twin, double and family rooms, all of which are clean, comfortable and well-equipped. The motel also offers barbecue facilities, car parking, laundry facilities, a playground for the kids, and a TV and lounge area. Pets are welcome, just be sure to enquire when booking.

Location: 140 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1302
Email: colonyinn@dragnet.com.au

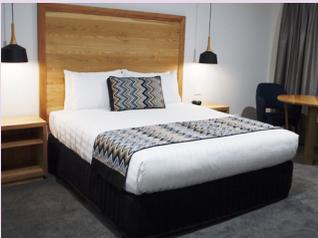


Euston Club Motel



The Euston Club Motel is situated on the banks of the mighty Murray River; offering quality accommodation with absolute river frontage. Accommodation is complimented by the fantastic facilities of the Euston Bowling Club Resort (next door). Start each morning watching the local wildlife & enjoy the tranquility of the river.

Location: 9 Murray Terrace, Euston NSW **Phone:** 03 5026 4999
Email: eumotel@bigpond.net.au
Website: www.eustonclub.com.au/euston-motel



Euston Motel



The Euston Motel is new and modern, offering spacious rooms with a contemporary design and genuine service. Family owned and operated, the friendly and helpful staff are always at hand to ensure that you enjoy the most out of your stay.

Location: 2 Sturt Highway, Euston NSW
Phone: 03 5026 1133
Email: reception@eustonmotel.com.au
Website: www.eustonmotel.com.au

Caravan Parks, Cabins & Lodges



Balranald Caravan Park



The Balranald Caravan Park is situated on the banks of the **Murrumbidgee River**. The Park has deluxe, standard and basic cabins as well as drive through grass powered caravan sites and spacious grassed camp sites. The park has modern amenities, disabled facilities, a kiosk and a well equipped camp kitchen.

Location: 60 Court Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1321
Email: info@balranaldcaravanpark.com.au
Website: www.balranaldcaravanpark.com.au



Euston Riverfront Caravan Park



The Euston Riverfront Caravan Park is on the Murray River with river frontage exclusively for use by park guests. It is a family owned and operated park with clean amenities and friendly service and is within easy walking distance to the Euston Club and Euston Hotel. The park has powered sites, non-powered sites and cabins. You can be assured of caring professional service when you stay at the park.

Location: 27 Murray Terrace, Euston NSW **Phone:** 03 5026 1543
Email: info@eustoncaravanpark.com.au



Visit our website for more details on our Top Stays
www.visitbalranald.com.au/top-stays





Kyalite Caravan Park/Pub/General Store



This delightful caravan park in Kyalite is situated on the banks of the Wakool River, with just a short distance to the Edward River. The park offers camping sites, basic cabins and en suite cabins. The Kyalite Pub is right next door and has a restaurant and bar. There is also a General Store located at the Pub for basic needs.

Location: Talbot/Kyalite Road, Kyalite NSW **Phone:** 03 5038 2221

Email: kyalitepub@bigpond.com

Website: www.kyalitepub.com



Homebush Caravan Park & Hotel



Throw down your swag, pitch your tent, grab a room in the Shearer's Quarters, choose a unit or back up your caravan or camper. However you lay out your pillow, you're welcome here. And so are your dogs. Meet the locals, and enjoy a drink and a darn good meal while you're at it. With kangaroos wandering by, clear views of both sunrise and sunset and cold beer on tap, this is the real Australia.

Location: Balranald/Ivanhoe Rd, Penarie NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 6803

Email: homebushhh@gmail.com



Euston Club Cabin Resort



The Euston Club Cabin Resort offers another great self-contained option overlooking the Murray River. Each of the comfy two bedroom cabins include linen, full kitchen facilities, bathroom and lounge room. In addition, the cabin resort gives visitors access to all facilities of the Euston Club which is next door to the resort.

Location: 2-28 Nixon Street, Euston NSW **Phone:** 03 5026 4244

Email: reception@eustonclub.com.au

Website: www.eustonclub.com.au/euston-cabin-resort



Mungo Lodge



The Mungo Lodge was first built by a private investor who had a dream of sharing the majesty and mystery of Mungo National Park. Mungo Lodge offers 17 Australian style accommodation rooms which complement the environment and enhance the three key guest experiences of: Food & Wine, Culture and Environment.

Location: Arumpo Road, Arumpo NSW **Phone:** 1300 663 748

Email: stay@mungolodge.com.au

Website: www.mungolodge.com.au

Something Unique



Mungo Shearers Quarters

The recently refurbished Shearers Quarters are in the heart of the park, right beside the Visitor Centre and the woolshed. It's the perfect place to have an enjoyable stay while you explore Mungo. The accommodation can cater for up to 27 people in 5 rooms. You will need your own bedding (sleeping bags, pillows, blankets, etc)

Location: Arumpo Road, Mungo National Park **Phone:** 03 5021 8900

Email: buronga.office@environment.nsw.gov.au

Website: www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/camping-and-accommodation/accommodation/Mungo-Shearers-Quarters



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www.visitbalranald.com.au/what-visitors-are-saying

Something Special



Lake Paika Accommodation



Lake Paika Station offers unique accommodation on one of the most historic stations in the Balranald district and is 17kms north of Balranald on the Ivanhoe Road. Accommodation in the restored original Workman's Quarters offers guests a comfortable and simple stay in a stunning setting overlooking Lake Paika.

Location: 1725 Balranald/Ivanhoe Road, Penarie **Phone:** 03 5020 1653

Email: dwpaika@bigpond.com

Website: www.lakepaikaaccommodation.com.au

Free Camping sites & 24hr RV Stops



Camping sites around Balranald

Balranald Low Level Weir Picnic/Camping Site

Location: 6km West of Balranald on the Sturt Highway - Then turn off from the main road for 4 km on a gravel road.

Redbank Weir Picnic/Camping Site

Location: 60 km north off the Balranald-Ivanhoe Road and turn right at the Oxley Road just after the Homebush Hotel

Contact: Balranald Visitor Information Centre: 1 800 444 043



Camping sites at Yanga National Park

Mamanga Campground **Contact Yanga Office 03 5020 1764**

Location: From Balranald travel east along Sturt Highway for 2km. Turn right onto Windomal Road. Continue for approx 4.2km before turning right at the sign to Mamanga campground. Turn-off is 1.2km past the turn-off to Yanga Woolshed.

The Willows Campground **Contact Yanga Office 03 5020 1764**

Location: From Balranald travel east along Sturt Highway for 23km. Turn right at the blue tent sign and continue along. After 800m turn left at The Willows campground sign.



Camping sites at Mungo National Park

The Main Campground

Location: The Main Campground is at the end of Arumpo Road shortly before the T-intersection at Mungo National Park

Belah Campground

Location: Once you arrive at the Mungo Visitor Centre, follow the Self-Guided Drive Tour to the campground.

Contact: The Buronga Office: 03 5021 8900



24 hr RV Stops

Balranald Discovery Centre, Balranald **Contact 1 800 444 043**

Location: 83 Market Street, Balranald

Greenham Park, Balranald **Contact 1 800 444 043**

Location: Church Street, Balranald at the carpark behind the water towers

Lake Benanee, Euston **Contact 1 800 444 043**

Location: 60 km west of Balranald on the Sturt Highway

Top Eats

From cafes to restaurants, pubs, clubs and take-aways, Balranald & surrounds has a wide range of food & dining options to suit every budget & palette.

Cafes & Restaurants



Balranald Bakery & Cafe



The Balranald Bakery is renowned for its wonderful range of cakes, slices, snacks, sandwiches and great coffee. The bakery/cafe is popular for their freshly baked bread, homemade pies, pasties and sausage rolls and for their "to die for" vanilla slices! The bakery has a warm & friendly atmosphere, a perfect place to meet with friends and family. The bakery also has free Wi-fi for the convenience of customers & travellers.

Location: 113 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1395
Email: balranaldbakery@outlook.com



Cafe Cassaro



Open 7 days a week for breakfast, lunch and dinner; this popular café has something to tempt any tastebud any time of the day. Whether you're looking for a hearty breakfast, coffee and cake for morning tea, or a delicious pizza or lasagne for dinner; there's always something to satisfy every need. Café Cassaro is the ideal stop for a coffee break if you're travelling through Balranald, and also has a variety of gifts.

Location: 109 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 0427 159 224
Email: shirley.m5@hotmail.com



Discovery Cafe Balranald



Located at the heart of the tourist precinct at the Balranald Discovery Centre, the Discovery Cafe is known as the cafe with "a touch of Melbourne in Balranald". The food served at the cafe looks and tastes delicious! The cafe is very popular with both visitors and locals. It is a perfect place to stop, relax and chat over a delicious cake and coffee or have something extra special off the daily menu.

Location: 83a Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 0408 051 975
Email: sgiansir@bigpond.net.au



Euston Riverfront Caravan Park & Cafe



The Riverfront Caravan Park & Cafe is located in Murray Terrace, having the convenience of the main street including a Cafe, plus the serenity of the beautiful Murray River. The Euston Riverfront Caravan Park has river frontage exclusively for use by park guests. It is a family owned and operated park with clean amenities and friendly service and the cafe is a perfect place for a relaxing coffee during your stay.

Location: 27 Murray Terrace, Euston NSW **Phone:** 03 5026 1543
Email: info@eustoncaravanpark.com.au



Duryea Bistro - Ex-Servicemen's Club



Located at The Balranald Ex-Servicemen's Memorial Club, the Duryea Bistro is popular with visitors and locals and offers a great range of both Chinese and Australian meals....There's something to suit every tastebud! The Club and its bistro prides itself on clean facilities and friendly staff.

Location: 116 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1205 or the Dining Room 03 5020 1253 **Email:** manager@balranaldclub.com.au
Website: www.balranaldclub.com.au



Billabong Restaurant at Balranald Motor Inn

Located at the front of the Balranald Motor Inn motel is the Billabong Restaurant where you can enjoy everything from a cold beer to a local wine, or a mouthwatering steak to a seafood basket. Open from 6pm Monday to Saturday to motel guests and locals, they also offer the full menu as room service or take-away.

Location: 154 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1104

Email: balranaldmotorinn154@gmail.com

Website: www.balranaldmotorinn.com



Mungo Restaurant



For a unique outback dining experience, the Mungo Restaurant & Bar is one not to be missed. The restaurant is open 7 days a week for breakfast, lunch & dinner. From true hearty outback breakfasts, simple and refreshing casual lunches, to delicious dinners. Mungo Lodge Restaurant brings a new meaning to dining in the outback.

Location: Arumpo Road, Arumpo NSW **Phone:** 1300 663 748

Email: stay@mungolodge.com.au

Website: www.mungolodge.com.au

Pubs & Clubs



Shamrock Hotel/Motel Balranald



Good old-fashioned pub with all the popular pub meals on the menu. Large servings and good value for money and always a cold beer on tap! Walking distance to all the main shops and next door to the Shamrock Motel.

Location: 35 Mayall Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1607

Email: shamrockbalranald@gmail.com



Balranald Ex-Servicemen's Club



The Balranald Ex-Servicemen's Memorial Club is a Not-for-Profit organization set up for Returned, Ex-Service and Serving community men and women. The Club is currently using and trading under the name of Balranald Club. Facilities include a Bistro, Tab Lounge, Lounge Bar, Coffee Lounge Area, Auditorium and Meeting Room.

Location: 116 Market Street, Balranald NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 1205

Email: manager@balranaldclub.com.au

Website: www.balranaldclub.com.au



The Euston Club (cafe, bar, bistro)



The Euston Club is the region's most renowned spot for a fantastic dining experience on the Murray River. The Club's Station46 area has an ALL DAY Cafe & Bar. Station46 abounds with a comfortable, friendly atmosphere and river views either inside or outside on the Club's signature covered balcony area. Station 46 has a diverse menu that caters for every taste.

Location: 2-28 Nixon Street, Euston NSW **Phone:** 03 5026 4244

Email: reception@eustonclub.com.au **Website:** www.eustonclub.com.au



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www.visitbalranald.com.au/top-eats





The Kyalite Pub



A bush pub with character and feeling, the Kyalite Pub has been the welcome home and stopover for the tough hardy men and women who pioneered this country. Customers can relax with an ice cold drink and 'read' the pub walls. Enjoy Australia's Biggest Burger at the Kyalite Pub or take the Publicans' Challenge of the supra-pan-sized sizzling rump steak!

Location: Talbot/Kyalite Road, Kyalite NSW **Phone:** 035038 2221
Email: kyalitepub@bigpond.com **Website:** www.kyalitepub.com



Homebush Hotel Penarie



One of the true 'back country pubs' which has stood the test of time and still remains the 'hub' of the vast Western Lands Division of NSW between Balranald and Ivanhoe. Relax in the beer garden, enjoy delicious and affordable meals in the dining area, stroll through the history room or settle in at the bigger bar. You can also grab takeaways or book the function room.

Location: Balranald/Ivanhoe Rd, Penarie NSW **Phone:** 03 5020 6803
Email: homebushhh@gmail.com



The Euston Royal Hotel



The Euston Royal Hotel in Euston NSW is a warm, friendly pub with good quality pub meals. Perfect for a lunch or dinner stop!

Location: 31 Murray Terrace Euston NSW
Phone: 03 5026 3638
Email: royalhoteleuston@bigpond.com

Take-Aways (See page 34 for Roadhouses)



Balranald Pizza & Takeaway



Let the friendly staff at the Balranald Takeaway tempt you with their range of snacks, cakes and slices, pizzas, takeaway food and meals. Enjoy a relaxing Allegro coffee! Offering outdoor dining, coffee lounge, spacious indoor or outdoor dining, dine in or takeaway.

Location: 115 Market Street, Balranald NSW
Phone: 03 5020 1114
Email: barrett17@bigpond.com



Euston Takeaway/GPO/General Store

This is a family friendly takeaway shop, local postoffice and general store. Eat in or takeaway and is open 7 days a week.

Location: 39 Murray Terrace Euston NSW
Phone: 03 5026 3667
Email: mannix@internode.on.net



LOCALLY MADE & GROWN PRODUCTS & MONTHLY MARKET

You can find a range of locally made and grown products at the Visitor Information Centre and don't miss the MONTHLY MARKET at 118 Market Street Balranald on the 4th Sunday of every month (9am-2pm).

Shopping & Pampering

With a thriving main street, there is everything that a visitor would expect in a township of this size. Whether it be gifts, clothing, homeware, groceries, or a little pampering, you will be left smiling!

Retail Outlets



In the Garden



Gifts, Florist, Garden Supplies

Location: 101a Market Street, Balranald, NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1490

Email: inthegarden2715@gmail.com



Balranald Sports



Sportswear, Leisure wear, Jewellery, Accessories

Location: 101b Market Street, Balranald, NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1445

Email: balranaldsports@commander.net.au



Le-Gees



Homeware, Manchester, Furniture, Kitchenware

Location: 88b Market Street, Balranald, NSW

Phone: 0427 200 589

Email: legees@hotmail.com



Conways



Leisurewear, Sportswear, Work-wear, Underwear

Location: 34 Mayall Street, Balranald, NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1330

Email: conways@dragnet.com.au

Website: www.leoconwayagencies.com.au



Vinnies Fashion

Pre-loved Fashion

Location: 91 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1241



Bodinnar's Home Hardware

Hardware & Homeware

Location: 94 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1633

Email: lvbodinnar@draget.com.au



Balranald Newsagency

Publications, Stationery, Gifts

Location: 103 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1642

Email: balranaldnewsagent@bigpond.com



Balranald Pharmacy

Dispensary, Health products, Cosmetics, Gifts

Location: 107 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1618

Email: balranaldpharmacy@hotmail.com



CanAssist Secondhand Bookshop

Pre-loved Books

Location: 92A Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 0404 842 037 or 0448 158 709

Email: BalranaldCanAssist@gmail.com

Groceries



Turps Tender Cuts

High quality meats & premium cuts

Location: 105A Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1689

Email: lisaandjeremyj@bigpond.com



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www.visitbalranald.com.au/shopping-pampering



Balranald IGA & Liquor



Groceries, Liquor, Deli

Location: 102 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1612

Email: doyleiga@bigpond.net.au



Balranald Foodworks



Groceries, Deli, Ready-to-go Food

Location: 121 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1626

Email: foodworksbalranald@bigpond.com

Pampering



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Hair & Beauty

Location: 101c Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 0331

Email: chlo85@hotmail.com



Salon One One Five



Hair & Beauty

Location: 115A Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1867

Email: wendybarker77@hotmail.com



Balranald Bowen & Wellbeing Centre

Holistic Therapies, Massages, Wellbeing Products

Location: Corner of Market & River Streets, Balranald NSW

Phone: 0428 201 008 (Wyn) 0427 517 194 (Jenny)

Email: jennifer.blake@health.nsw.gov.au

Services & Amenities



Balranald and surrounds has a range of services and amenities that visitors can access. These include automotive, banking, postal & health services, churches, public toilets, showers & great picnic spots!

Service Stations & Automotive Services



Caltex Service Station on Market Street

Fuel, Diner, Shop

Location: 99 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1603

Email: balranald@nuvpetroleum.com



Westside Shell Petroleum Balranald

Fuel, Fast Food, Shop

Location: 203 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 0123

Email: balranaldwp@gmail.com



S & A Papa Discount Fuel

Discount Fuel

Location: 45 Wee Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1734

Email: spapampd@iinet.net.au



Caltex 24hr Roadhouse & Truckstop

Fuel, Restaurant, Shop, Accommodation

Location: Sturt Highway, Balranald NSW

Phone: 1300 413 946

Email: balranaldroadhouse@bigpond.com



Balranald Auto Electrics



Automotive, Electrical services

Location: 30 Moa Street, Balranald NSW

Phone: 03 5020 1228

Email: balautolec@bigpond.com



NRMA & Balranald Diesel Services

General Automotive Repairs, Roadside Assistance

Location: 201 Market Street, Balranald NSW
Phone: 03 5020 1233
Email: baldiesel@dragnet.com.au



Balranald Hydraulics

Hydraulic Services

Location: 209 Market Street, Balranald NSW
Phone: 03 5020 1058 | 0427 502 010



Balranald Tyre Service



Wheel & Tyre Services

Location: 191 Market Street, Balranald NSW
Phone: 03 5020 0309



Balranald Panels

Services for your wheels & tyres

Location: 127 Market Street, Balranald NSW
Phone: 03 5020 1354

Health & Emergency Services



Balranald & Euston/Robinvale Services

EMERGENCY: 000 (Ambulance, Police, Medical & Fire)

Balranald Health Services (Balranald District Hospital)
 41-43 Market Street Balranald NSW | 03 5071 9800

Balranald Dentist (at the Balranald District Hospital)
 41-43 Street, Balranald NSW | 03 5071 9808

Robinvale District Health
 128-132 Latje Road, Robinvale VIC | 03 5051 8111

Robinvale Dentist
 160 Bromley Road, Robinvale VIC | 03 5026 3536

Banks & ATM



Banking Outlets & ATM Machines

- Westpac Bank & ATM**
93 Market Street Balranald NSW | 03 5020 2600
- Bendigo Bank Agency at Bodinnar's Home Hardware**
94 Market Street, Balranald NSW | 03 5020 1633
- ATM Machine at Balranald Ex-Servicemen's Club**
116 Market Street, Balranald NSW | 03 5020 1205
- ATM Machine at the Caltex Service Station Balranald**
99 Market Street, Balranald NSW | 03 5020 1603
- ATM Machine at the Euston Club**
Nixon Street, Euston NSW | 03 5026 4244
- ATM Machine at the Euston Royal Hotel**
31 Murray Terrace, Euston NSW | 03 5026 3638

Post Offices



Post Offices in Balranald & Euston

- Balranald Post Office**
117 Market Street, Balranald | 03 5020 1150
- Euston GPO/General Store/Takeaway** | 03 5026 3667
39 Murray Terrace, Euston NSW

Library



Balranald Public Library

Location: We Street Balranald, NSW
Phone: 5020 1388

Public Toilets & Showers



Public Toilets in Balranald & Euston

- Balranald Discovery Centre precinct** (Toilets & Free Showers)
83 Market Street Balranald NSW
- Balranald Senior Citizens Building** (Toilets)
106 Market Street, Balranald NSW
- Lions Park Balranald** (Toilets)
Market Street, Balranald NSW
- Greenham Park Balranald** (Toilets)
Church Street, Balranald NSW
- Lake Benanee near Euston** (Toilets)
60 Kilometres from Balranald on the Sturt Highway towards Euston NSW
- Tower Park Euston** (Toilets)
Murray Terrace next to the water towers, Euston NSW

Churches & Clergy



Churches & Clergy

St Dymphna's Catholic Church

106 Church Street Balranald NSW

Presbyterian Church

47 Bank Street, Balranald NSW

St Barnabas Anglican Church

Corner of Mayall & Ballandella Streets, Balranald NSW

Balranald Harvest Christian Centre

Call 03 5020 0486 for meeting location

Picnic Spots



Picnic Spots

Memorial Drive/The Bend Reserve

We Street Balranald NSW

The Balranald Discovery Centre

83 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Balranald Lions Park

191 Market Street, Balranald NSW

Balranald Low Level Weir

6km west of Balranald off the Sturt Highway

Redbank Weir

60km north of Balranald off the Balranald/Ivanhoe Road

Lake Benanee

60 Kilometres west of Balranald on the Sturt Highway towards Euston

Anderson Park Euston

Crn of Selwyn & Perry Streets, Euston NSW

Picnic area near the Euston Club

Near the boat ramp on the Murray River beside the Euston Club



Balranald Aerodrome



Balranald Aerodrome is a small country aerodrome located 1 nautical mile (1.9km, 1.2 mi) north east of Balranald, on the Ivanhoe Road. It sits at altitude of 210 ft (64 m), and has two runways: 18/36, an asphalt runway 1,185 m (3,888 ft) long, and 08/26, a grass runway 650 m (2,133 ft) long.

Aerodrome facilities include: Lockable aircraft hangers, aircraft tie down points, pilot controlled landing lights, wet weather waiting area and toilet facilities

Balranald Airport IATA Code: BZD

Balranald Airport ICAO Code: YBRN

Latitude: -34.6231994629

Longitude: 143.57699585

City: Balranald

Country: Australia

World Area Code : 802

Airport Type: Medium

Timezone: Australia/Sydney

Balranald Airport Timezone: GMT +10:00 hours



Did you know?

Ronald Ryan, the last man to hang in Australia, lived in Balranald and began his life of petty crime by robbing the local bank and being locked up in the Balranald Gaol. You can visit the gaol which is located at the Balranald Discovery Centre precinct.

Sir Charles Kingsford Smith landed the "Southern Cross" in Balranald and took people for joy flights as a fundraiser for his flying exhibitions. His landing place is marked with a white cross at the northern end of O'Connor Street West



Sir Charles Kingsford Smith

Yanga Station is recorded as being the first private property to have a telephone installed - by no other than the nephew of Alexander Graham Bell. The telephone line was connected between the shearing shed, the men's living quarters and the homestead. You can visit the homestead today.

Burke & Wills crossed the Murrumbidgee at Balranald in 1860 on their epic expedition. They also camped within the Balranald Shire and there is a road named after them and their expedition.



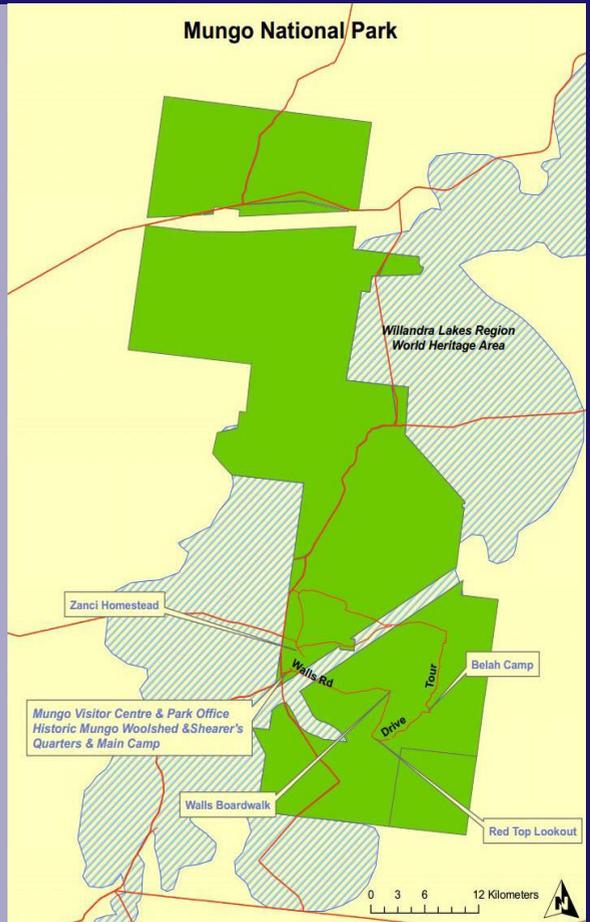
Burke & Wills

Cobb & Co first arrived in Balranald in 1859 and Homebush Hotel in Penarie is the last remaining Cobb & Co stop still operating today.

A resident of the Balranald Shire, Mr Townsend Duryea, was the official photographer of Prince Albert's visit to Australia in 1867.

World heritage listed Mungo National Park is within the Balranald Shire.

Balranald Shire has the largest Pistachio Nut Farm in Australia at Kyalite.



Sports & Leisure Facilities

Balranald Swimming Pool (not opened in winter months)
Church Street, Balranald | 03 5020 1357

Balranald Golf Course
116 O'Connor Street, Balranald | 0477 444 584

Balranald Lawn Tennis Courts
We Street, Balranald | 0487 201 575

Balranald Lawn Bowls
Market Street, Balranald | 03 5020 1205

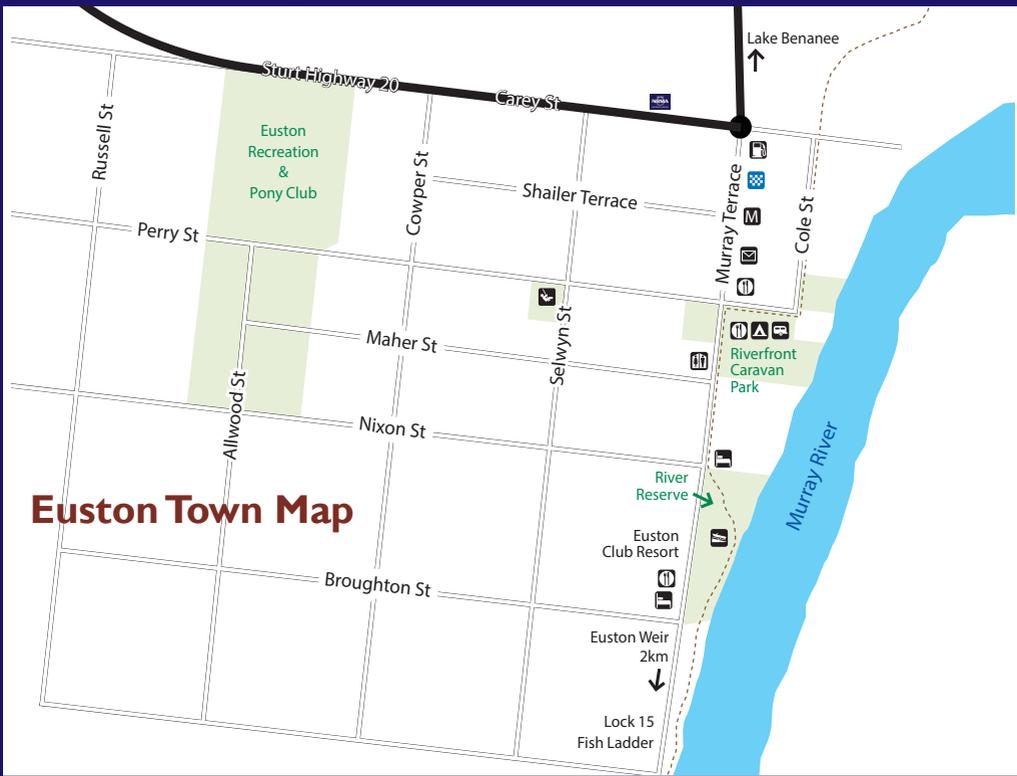
Balranald Skate Park
Balranald Discovery Centre 83 Market Street, Balranald

Balranald Sporting Complex (Football, Netball, Cricket, Racing)
Greenham Park - Church Street, Balranald

Euston Lawn Bowls (at Euston Club Resort)
Nixon Street, Euston | 03 5026 4244

Robinvale/Euston Golf Course
4240 Murray Valley Highway, Robinvale | 03 5026 3286

Euston Recreation Ground
Off Carey Street (Sturt Hwy), Euston



Balranald Visitor Information Centre

83 Market Street, Balranald NSW 2715

Phone: 1800 444 043

Email: infocentrestaff@balranald.nsw.gov.au

Web: www.visitbalranald.com.au

Open Daily: 10.00am - 4.00pm

(Closed Christmas Day & Good Friday)

